



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Group Art Unit: 2683  
Examiner: Mr. Stephen M. Dagosta

**In re PATENT APPLICATION of:**

March 3, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action of October 3, 2005, the period for reply to which is being extended to expire on March 3, 2006 by a Petition filed concurrently herewith.

A fee of \$ 450 is being submitted concurrently. Should this remittance be accidentally missing, however, or should any additional fees be needed (including extension of time fees, since Applicants hereby provisionally petition for any extensions that may be deemed necessary to avoid abandonment), the Director may charge such fees to our Deposit Account number 18-0002.

Please amend the above-identified application as specified on the following pages, and then reconsider the application in view of the Remarks that are presented thereafter.

**ENCLOSED:\$** *Handwritten signature*  
Please charge any further  
fee to our Deposit Account  
No. 18-0002